3. *Algeria* : 1. Provision of Rail facilities to serve the Cement Factory at Saida

Cost—Rs. 35 crores.

Date of commencement of work 1-4-1983

Up-to-date progress 80%

Target date of completion 30-9-1985

2. Provision of Rail facilities to serve the Cement Factory at Benisaf

Cost Rs. 81 crores

Date of commencement of work 1-12-1983

Up-to-date progress 25%

Target date of completion 1-12-1986

4. *Saudi Arabia* : Detail Design and Construction of Major Maintenance Workshop at Dammam.

Cost—Rs. 20 crores.

Date of commencement of work 14-9-1983

Up-to-date progress 60%

Target date of completion 13-3-1986

(c) Rs. 54·6 crores.

Workcharged staff in Railways

235. SHRI AMARPROSAD CHAKRABORTY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the workcharged staff of the Railways are going to be discharged;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) how many workcharged staff are now on the roll of the Railways all over India and how many of them have been absorbed during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Workcharged staff drawn from regular establishment are repatriated to their parent departments when there is contraction of work or in the exigencies of service. As regards casual labour engaged on execution of work, their continuance in employment depends upon availability of work and resources.

(c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

236. [*Transferred to the 1st August, 1985.*

Accidents at Railway crossings

237. SHRI SYED AHMED HASHMI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of the accidents on Railway crossings which took place during the current year so far; and

(b) the number of Railway crossings, Zone-wise, which are still unmanned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.